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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Appln No.:	10/019,400	)	Confirmation No. 1864
Filed:	December 28, 2001	)	
First Named Inventor:	YAMASOTO et al.	)	
Title:	PATCH PACKAGE AND PACKAGED PATCH	)	
Art Unit:	3728	)	
Examiner:	John G. Pickett	)	February 23, 2004
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

a. Previously submitted:

- ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed, via facsimile, on February 20, 2004.
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Other:

b. Enclosed:

- ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

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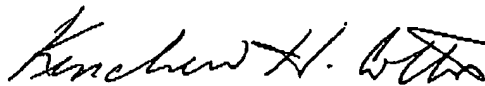
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☐ Other:

2. Additional Items:

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. *(Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)*
- ☐ A petition for extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ A return receipt postcard is enclosed.
- ☐ Other:
- ☐ Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.27).
- ☒ RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) without a claim of small entity status is: \$770.00.
- ☐ RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) by an entity claiming small entity status is: \$ .00.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge \$ 770.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1135, under Order No; 7388/72545.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Director is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135, under Order No; 7388/72545. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

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